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FROM AMBASSADOR THACHER

DEPT PASS CHUSMTM DHAHRAN, CINCEUR

E. O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: STEPS TO IMPRESS SAUDIS WITH URGENCY SENDING MATERIAL
TO YAR

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1. BECAUSE OF TEHRAN COM MEETING, I MAY NOT BE ABLE SEE SULTAN UNTIL APRIL 28. IN INTERIM, HOWEVER, CINCEUR GENERAL GOODPASTER WILL BE MEETING PRINCE SULTAN WITH CHARGE HORAN AND CHUSMTM. BELIEVE GEN GOODPASTER COULD QUITE APPROPRIATELY REITERATE TO SULTAN OUR BELIEF YAR MORALE AND EFFECTIVENESS WOULD BENEFIT GREAT DEAL BY EARLY DELIVERY OF MACHINE GUNS, TRUCKS, OR RIFLES, AND THAT WE HOPE SAG WOULD BE READY COMMENCE MAKING SUCH SHIPMENTS AT ONCE WITHOUT WAITING FOR REPLACEMENTS. MEANWHILE, US WILL DO ALL IT CAN EXPEDITE LATTER. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TOO IF GEN GOODPASTER COULD MENTION QUESTION OF TRAINING FOR 106 MM RECOILLESS RIFLES. ON BASIS SULTAN' S REPLY WE WOULD THEN ENDEAVOR EXPEDITE ESTIMATE AS TO NEED FOR MTT. THERE WILL BE OPPORTUNITY FOR CHARGE AND CHUSMTM BRIEF GEN GOODPASTER ON THESE MATTERS ON ARRIVAL.

2. I PLAN FOLLOW UP ON BOTH TOPICS SOON AFTER RETURN TO SAUDI ARABIA.
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